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ACTIVITY IN THE OIL FIELDS.

Editorial From Henry Watterson In Courier-Journal of December Twenty-First.

There is a note of encouragement in the reports from the Kentucky oil fields telling of important strikes in the newer territory. A big producer in Clay county will be an incentive to further drilling in that vicinity "where operations are still in the experimental stage." A well brought in at the depth of 1,700 feet in Lawrence county is described as the best drilled in the Big Sandy.

The Lawrence county well is regarded as important, as it indicates an extension of the West Virginia field into Kentucky. It will be followed, of course, by other wells, which, it is hoped, may show oil in paying quantities. In the Wayne county field, the reports say, work has shown no abatement and the "prospects are good for a season of activity during the winter." The finding of a twenty-five-barrel gusher in that established field doubtless will stimulate the operations to increased efforts.

There is good prospect we are told, that the Barron county field is to be more thoroughly tested as the Illinois operators are working on the line from the Illinois field to connect up Illinois, Southwestern Indiana and the Kentucky field. It is exceedingly probable that future tests will show that all these fields are connected. If that should be true it would result in the development of an extensive oil field in Western Kentucky—possibly as important as that of Eastern Kentucky. There are favorable surface indications in a number of counties in the Western part of the State, but the test so far made have not been of such thoroughness as to demonstrate whether oil exists in paying quantities. Should more convincing test fail to show it, there is not much in surface indications.

The season is not favorable to operations and it is rather surprising that the reports reflect such a degree of activity. That they indicate important progress under unfavorable conditions is a good augury for bigger and better work next year.

Judge James Called In Big Damage Suit.

Judge L. H. James has just returned from Eddyville, Ky., where in the Lyon County Circuit Court, he was called to assist Congressman Chas. K. Wheeler in a ten thousand dollar damage suit. As Judge James was sick when the court convened the case was postponed until he recovered.

He is a grand old man—admired and loved by all who know him and as a lawyer, the peer of any man in the state.

Letter From Georgia.

College Park, Ga., Dec 12th '09. Editor, Record-Press, Marion, Ky. —To the readers of the Press, and more especially to my relatives and friends in old Crittenden county I want to write a few lines. We have

a little baby boy at our house about ten weeks old, his name is D. G. That makes eight in all—two boys and six girls. Our little girl, seven years old, Fannie Lee, had to be operated upon twice this summer for white-welling. She has been down for five or six months and we think she is going to get well. My brother, Judson, has been in very bad health for some time and he also had two strokes of paralysis. He is talking now of having an operation performed which is very dangerous, but the doctors think it may have to be done.

If any one who reads this knows where my half-brother, Joseph Bettis, is, will you please write me and give me his address.

Bro. Billy Yates was through here about two months since and spent two nights with me and it was a great pleasure to me. Come again Bro. Billy or any one else from old Crittenden.

I have just finished additions to the Baptist church in College Park which cost about ten thousand dollars—making a twenty-five thousand dollar building. College Park has 2000 inhabitants. They are building a new Christian church here also this was Rally day at the Baptist church. They raised about all the money to pay for the church. It is heated with the vapor system.

I have just about finished three

four-roomed houses for myself that I am building to rent. Have rented two of them.

If this doesn't reach the waste basket I will write again. I will close by wishing you all a merry Xmas and a happy and prosperous New Year. Yours with love to all, D. G. BETTIS.

In Memoriam.

Died at his home near Oak Grove, Ky., Nov. 12th, 1909, Ben A. Whitlock, aged 66 years. A man of true character, it was his delight to give, without asking, to those in need. The widow and orphan was his charge and no one was ever turned from his door hungry or unaided. Of him may be truly said, "If every one for whom he did some kindly act, could drop one blossom on his grave he would sleep tonight beneath a wilderness of flowers."—W.

Stray Cow.

One Holstein cow with short crumpled horns, seven or eight years old, come to my house, Dec. 6th, 1909. Owner can have same by paying for feeding and this notice.

J. D. ASHER,
35 if Marion, Ky.

For suits, overcoats, cravenettes and extra pants, see the immense line at Taylor & Cannon's.

KEEP THE KIDNEYS WELL.

Health is worth Saving and Some Marion People Know How to Save It.

Many Marion people take their lives in their hands by neglecting the kidneys when they know these organs need help. Sick kidneys are responsible for a vast amount of suffering and ill health, but there is no need to suffer nor to remain in danger when all diseases and aches and pains due to weak kidneys can be quickly and permanently cured by the use of Doan's Kidney Pills. Here is a Marion citizen's recommendation.

M. Schmale, Main St., Marion, Ky., says:

"For several years I suffered with kidney complaint and I am glad to say that Doan's Kidney Pills relieved me promptly. I had a dull ache in my back and when I did any stooping or lifting, sharp twinges seized me and caused much misery. I felt languid, was nervous and often suffered from dizzy spells. I finally procured Doan's Kidney Pills at Haynes & Taylor's Drug Store and their use, according to directions effected a cure."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo,

N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Walker-Travis.

Miss Alice Walker and Mr. Herman Travis were married Wednesday evening, Dec. 15th, at the residence of the bride's father, T. L. Walker, Rev. O. D. Spence officiating.

A large number of their friends and relatives were present to congratulate and wish them a long, happy and prosperous voyage through life. They will make their home near Blackford.

Died In California.

On Dec. 31st, 1909, and was laid to rest in the beautiful sunny cemetery of Pomona, Cal., on the following Sunday afternoon.

Eula Mae was the daughter of L. T. and Stella D. Wilsey, and the grand daughter of E. E. and Myrtle D. Thurman, formerly of Marion, Ky. Bright in mind, sweet in temper, always loving at heart, she was the idol of her parents and the pride of her grandparents on both her father's and her mother's side. But she has gone away and we can not call her back, nor would we, if it were possible, but we bow our wills to His and reconcile ourselves to our great loss only as Christian hearts can.

Her grandmother,

MYRTLE D. THURMAN.

JOSIAH HEARD FROM

After a Long Silence He Indites a Word And Sends a Dollar.

Lexington, Tenn., Dec. 19, '09. Editor Record-Press:—As my subscription has expired, I enclose a \$1-check for renewal.

I read with pleasure in your last week's issue of the surprise birthday dinner given Mr. Gordon G. Hammond. I am glad he is treated so kindly by his children in his old age. Gord and I were boys together something more than half a century ago. I lived awhile with him and his mother. She was a mighty good old lady and treated me very kindly. Gord was three years older than I and about ten or twelve years larger. I was an orphan boy and have no recollection of father or mother; had no money, no home, no clothing, no friends, no anything but kicks, cuffs and knocks; and Gordon—bless his soul!—was not altogether guiltless of this pastime. Yes, Gordon is a good fellow, and I am proud that his children treat him thus kindly in his declining days. May they ever rise up to call him blessed."

I, too, can truly say my children are kind to me. Three weeks ago today I celebrated my 69th birthday. I have ten grown up children and they all, except one who live, in Haidin, Kentucky, were here to eat turkey with me on that day. My sons and sons-in-law surprised me at the dinner table by presenting me a gold filled Waltham watch, 21 jewels, and a gold chain and charm, the whole costing \$37. Though I did not eat it up, I enjoyed the watch equally as much as they did the turkey. My sons and sons-in-law are all railroad men and hold good paying positions.

JOSIAH CONGER.

AN UNUSUAL OFFER TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Every Farmer and Citizen Should Have His Name and Post-office Printed on His Envelopes.

Every farmer or citizen for that matter, should have his name and post-office printed on his envelopes and the paper he or his family use in their correspondence, thus avoiding any mistake in a reply. On all rural routes nearly everywhere this custom is being practiced and approved of, when too, it is found to be so much cheaper than buying plain paper and envelopes by the small quantity.

Here is our proposition: To every one subscribing or renewing their subscription to the RECORD-PRESS, we will give 100 envelopes and 250 sheets of nice note paper, with your name and address and whatever you want to say on both for the total sum of \$1.50.

The envelopes and paper alone would cost \$1.00 anywhere without the printing and by taking advantage of this offer you get the RECORD-PRESS one year to any address, together with 100 nice envelopes and 250 sheets of paper for \$1.50.

We promise as much care in pleasing you as if you were paying full price. In other words we will guarantee to please you.

We are making this low offer that we long hold every subscriber and secure as many new ones as possible. We are anxious to increase our circulation from its already present high mark, and feel that this is the best way to do it.

Now of course you can not get your work the day you subscribe and order it. But your name will be entered with a copy of what you want and in a few days at the outside limit your work will be done and done to please you. There is scarcely a family in Crittenden county that will not spend twice this amount in the run of a year for paper and envelopes without the printing.

Should there be those who want only the 100 envelopes with the RECORD-PRESS, the total cost will be \$1.25.

We have ordered a tremendous stock of envelopes and paper for this offer and will be ready to fill all order as fast as received. No one will be compelled to wait longer than for the work to dry.

Come in when you come to Marion and leave your order.

Notice.

Commencing December 27th, all unpooled tobacco received through the Farmers' Union tobacco house will be received on Monday and Tuesday of each week and all pooled tobacco on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. No tobacco received on Saturdays. Please tell your neighbors.

Respectfully,

J. P. PIERCE,
County Chairman.

Quality for a position.

If you wish to qualify for a position at the least cost, address for particulars, W. R. Smith, Lexington, Ky.

BIG CHRISTMAS SALE!!

We have just received a large assortment of Holiday Goods, Notions and Furnishings at Factory Prices, these we offer our customers at prices lower than the Lowest.

FOUR DAYS
December 21 to 24

We will save you from 25 to 50 per cent on all,
Handbags, Ties, Shawls,
Combs, Suspenders, Scarfs,
Barrets, Men's H'd'fs, Toques,
Fancy Hairs Pins; Mufflers, Gloves,
Ladies H'd'fs, Hose, Counterpane
and all kinds of Jewelry.

BE SURE TO SEE OUR DISPLAY OF THESE ARTICLES

You can find a present for every member of the family.

Gifts like these are appreciated and will be useful many days after the trifling presents are forgotten.

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